What I claim as my invention is:

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1. (original) An aircraft with a main body, a primary lifting mechanism and a secondary lifting mechanism, which main body has a forward end and an aft end, with the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of upward forces exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order,

and which primary lifting mechanism comprises a power plant as a means for providing downwardly extending thrust to the aircraft, and which secondary lifting mechanism comprises a power plant as a means for providing downwardly extending thrust to the aircraft, and which primary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by a tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of

travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the primary lifting mechanism relative to the main body of the aircraft, and which said tilt enabling joint is a primary tilt enabling joint, with the primary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft through the primary tilt enabling joint, and which secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by an additional tilt enabling joint, which said additional tilt enabling joint is a secondary tilt enabling joint, and which said secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by the secondary tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the secondary lifting mechanism relative to the main body, and which secondary tilt enabling joint is such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a controlled manner in a lateral direction with respect to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft that

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is opposite to a lateral direction that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in with respect to the main body of the aircraft by means of the primary tilt enabling joint during flight of the aircraft, and which secondary lifting mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft through the secondary tilt enabling joint, with the primary tilt enabling joint and the secondary tilt enabling joint connected to the main body of the aircraft, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism extending thrust in a downward direction and an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the secondary lifting mechanism extending thrust in a downward direction while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order, and with controlled lateral tilting of the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism able to occur during flight while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order.

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2. (original) An aircraft with a main body, a primary lifting mechanism and a secondary lifting mechanism, which main body has a forward end and an aft end, with the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of upward forces exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order.

and which primary lifting mechanism comprises a rotor, an engine assembly, and a plurality of blades, with the said blades connected to the rotor, and which said engine assembly is able to rotate the said rotor, with the blades connected to the rotor such that when the rotor is rotated by the said engine assembly air can be forced in a downward direction by means of the blades rotating around the rotor, with the primary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft by forcing air in a downward direction by way of the blades rotating around the rotor,

and the secondary lifting mechanism comprises a rotor, an engine assembly, and a plurality of

blades, with the blades of the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism, and which engine assembly of the secondary lifting mechanism is able to rotate the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism, with the blades of the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism such that when the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism is rotated by the engine assembly of the secondary lifting mechanism air can be forced in a downward direction by means of the blades of the secondary lifting mechanism rotating around the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism, with the secondary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft by forcing air in a downward direction by way of the blades of the secondary lifting mechanism rotating around the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism, and which primary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by a tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body of the aircraft

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during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the primary lifting mechanism relative to the main body of the aircraft, and which said tilt enabling joint is a primary tilt enabling joint, with the primary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft through the primary tilt enabling joint, and which secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by an additional tilt enabling joint, which said additional tilt enabling joint is a secondary tilt enabling joint, and which said secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by the secondary tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the secondary lifting mechanism relative to the main body, and which secondary tilt enabling joint is such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a controlled manner in a lateral direction with respect to the

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main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft that is opposite to a lateral direction that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in with respect to the main body of the aircraft by means of the primary tilt enabling joint during flight of the aircraft, and which secondary lifting mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft through the secondary tilt enabling joint, with the primary tilt enabling joint and the secondary tilt enabling joint connected to the main body of the aircraft, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism forcing air in a downward direction and an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the secondary lifting mechanism forcing air in a downward direction while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order, and with controlled lateral tilting of the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism able to occur during flight while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order.

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3. (original) An aircraft with a main body, a primary lifting mechanism and a secondary lifting mechanism, which main body has a forward end and an aft end, with the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of upward forces exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order,

and which primary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by a tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the primary lifting mechanism relative to the main body of the aircraft, and which said tilt enabling joint is a primary tilt enabling joint,

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mechanism is a turboprop, and which primary lifting
mechanism is attached to the primary tilt enabling joint
such that air can be forced in a downward direction
by the primary lifting mechanism, and such that by forcing
air in a downward direction the primary lifting mechanism is
able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the
main body of the aircraft, with the primary lifting mechanism
able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main
body of the aircraft through the primary tilt enabling joint,

and which secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by an additional tilt enabling joint, which said additional tilt enabling joint is a secondary tilt enabling joint, and which said secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by the secondary tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the secondary lifting mechanism relative to the main body, and which secondary tilt enabling joint is

such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a controlled manner in a lateral direction with respect to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft that is opposite to a lateral direction that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in with respect to the main body of the aircraft by means of the primary tilt enabling joint during flight of the aircraft,

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lifting mechanism is a turboprop, which secondary lifting mechanism is attached to the secondary tilt enabling joint such that air can be forced in a downward direction by the secondary lifting mechanism, and such that by forcing air in a downward direction the secondary lifting mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft, and which secondary lifting mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft through the secondary tilt enabling joint,

with the primary tilt enabling joint and the secondary tilt enabling joint connected to the main body of the aircraft, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism forcing air in a downward direction and an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the secondary lifting mechanism

forcing air in a downward direction while the primary
lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are
maintained in tandem order, and with controlled lateral
tilting of the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary
lifting mechanism able to occur during flight while the
primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting
mechanism are maintained in tandem order.

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4. (original) An aircraft with a main body, a primary lifting mechanism and a secondary lifting mechanism, which main body has a forward end and an aft end, with the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of upward forces exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order,

and which primary lifting

mechanism comprises a rotor, an engine assembly, and a plurality of blades, with the said blades connected to the rotor, and which said engine assembly is able to rotate the said rotor, with the blades connected to the rotor such that when the rotor is rotated by the said engine assembly air can be forced in a

downward direction by means of the blades rotating around the rotor, with the primary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft by forcing air in a downward direction by way of the blades rotating around the rotor,

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and which primary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by a tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the primary lifting mechanism relative to the main body of the aircraft, and which said tilt enabling joint is a primary tilt enabling joint, with the primary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft through the primary tilt enabling joint, and which secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by an additional tilt enabling joint, which said additional tilt enabling joint is a secondary tilt enabling joint, and which said secondary lifting mechanism is

connected to the main body of the aircraft by the secondary tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the secondary lifting mechanism relative to the main body, and which secondary tilt enabling joint is such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a controlled manner in a lateral direction with respect to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft that is opposite to a lateral direction that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in with respect to the main body of the aircraft by means of the primary tilt enabling joint during flight of the aircraft,

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mechanism comprises at least one jet engine, which said at least one jet engine is attached to the secondary tilt enabling joint such that the said at least one jet engine is able to force exhaust gases to travel in a downward direction and such that by forcing exhaust gases to travel in a downward direction the said at least one jet engine can

exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body, and which secondary lifting mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft through the secondary tilt enabling joint, with the primary tilt enabling joint and the 5 secondary tilt enabling joint connected to the main body of the aircraft, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism forcing air in a 10 downward direction and an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the secondary lifting mechanism forcing exhaust gases to travel in a downward direction while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order, and with controlled lateral tilting of the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary 15 lifting mechanism able to occur during flight while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order.

- 5. (original) The aircraft of claim 4 wherein the said at leastone jet engine is a turbojet.
 - 6. (original) The aircraft of claim 4 wherein the said at least one jet engine is a turbofan.

7. (original) An aircraft with a main body, a primary lifting mechanism and a secondary lifting mechanism, which main body has a forward end and an aft end, with the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of upward forces exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order.

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and which primary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by a tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the primary lifting mechanism relative to the main body of the aircraft, and which said tilt enabling joint is a primary tilt enabling joint, with the primary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft through the primary tilt enabling joint, and which

secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by an additional tilt enabling joint, which said additional tilt enabling joint is a secondary tilt enabling joint, and which said secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by the secondary tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the secondary lifting mechanism relative to the main body, and which secondary tilt enabling joint is such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a controlled manner in a lateral direction with respect to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft that is opposite to a lateral direction that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in with respect to the main body of the aircraft by means of the primary tilt enabling joint during flight of the aircraft, and which secondary lifting mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft through the secondary tilt enabling joint, with the primary tilt enabling joint and the

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secondary tilt enabling joint connected to the main body of the aircraft, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism through the primary tilt enabling joint and an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the secondary lifting mechanism through the secondary tilt enabling joint while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order, and with controlled lateral tilting of the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism able to occur during flight while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order.

8. (original) An aircraft with a main body, a primary lifting mechanism and a secondary lifting mechanism, which main body has a forward end and an aft end, with the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of upward forces exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order,

and which primary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by a tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the primary lifting mechanism relative to the main body of the aircraft, and which said tilt enabling joint is a primary tilt enabling joint,

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which primary lifting mechanism is a turboprop, and which primary lifting

mechanism is attached to the primary tilt enabling joint such that air can be forced in a downward direction by the primary lifting mechanism, and such that by forcing air in a downward direction the primary lifting mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft, with the primary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft through the primary tilt enabling joint,

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and which secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by an additional tilt enabling joint, which said additional tilt enabling joint is a secondary tilt enabling joint, and which said secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by the secondary tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the secondary lifting mechanism relative to the main body, and which secondary tilt enabling joint is

such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a controlled manner in a lateral direction with respect to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft that is opposite to a lateral direction that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in with respect to the main body of the aircraft by means of the primary tilt enabling joint during flight of the aircraft,

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mechanism comprises at least one jet engine, which said at least one jet engine is attached to the secondary tilt enabling joint such that the said at least one jet engine is able to force exhaust gases to travel in a downward direction and such that by forcing exhaust gases to travel in a downward direction the said at least one jet engine can exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body, and which secondary lifting

mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft through the secondary tilt enabling joint, with the primary tilt enabling joint and the secondary tilt enabling joint connected to the main body of the aircraft, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism forcing air in a downward direction and an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the secondary lifting mechanism

forcing exhaust gases to travel in a downward direction while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order, and with controlled lateral tilting of the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism able to occur during flight while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order.

(original) The aircraft of claim 8 wherein the said at least one jet engine is a turbojet.

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- 10 10. (original) The aircraft of claim 8 wherein the said at least one jet engine is a turbofan.
- 11. (original) An aircraft with a main body, a primary lifting mechanism and a secondary lifting mechanism, which main body has a forward end and an aft end, with the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of upward forces exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order,

and which primary lifting mechanism comprises a rotor, an engine assembly, and a

plurality of blades, with the said blades connected to the rotor, and which said engine assembly is able to rotate the said rotor, with the blades connected to the rotor such that when the rotor is rotated by the said engine assembly air can be forced in a downward direction by means of the blades rotating around the rotor, with the primary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft by forcing air in a downward direction by way of the blades rotating around the rotor,

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and which primary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by a tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the primary lifting mechanism relative to the main body of the aircraft, and which said tilt enabling joint is a primary tilt enabling joint, with the primary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft through the primary tilt enabling joint, and which

secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by an additional tilt enabling joint, which said additional tilt enabling joint is a secondary tilt enabling joint, and which said secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by the secondary tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the secondary lifting mechanism relative to the main body, and which secondary tilt enabling joint is such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a controlled manner in a lateral direction with respect to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft that is opposite to a lateral direction that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in with respect to the main body of the aircraft by means of the primary tilt enabling joint during flight of the aircraft,

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25 mechanism is a turboprop, which secondary lifting mechanism is attached to the secondary tilt enabling joint such

that air can be forced in a downward direction by the secondary lifting mechanism, and such that by forcing air in a downward direction the secondary lifting mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft, and which secondary lifting mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft through the secondary tilt enabling joint, with the primary tilt enabling joint and the secondary tilt enabling joint connected to the main body of the aircraft, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism forcing air in a downward direction and an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the secondary lifting mechanism forcing air in a downward direction while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order, and with controlled lateral tilting of the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism able to occur during flight while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting

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mechanism are maintained in tandem order.

12. (original) An aircraft with a main body, a primary lifting mechanism and a secondary lifting mechanism, which main body has a forward end and an aft end, with the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of upward forces exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are connected to the main body of the aircraft in tandem order,

and which primary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by a tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the primary lifting mechanism relative to the main body of the aircraft, and which said tilt enabling joint is a primary tilt enabling joint,

which primary lifting mechanism is a turboprop, and which primary lifting mechanism is

attached to the primary tilt enabling joint such that air can be forced in a downward direction by the primary lifting mechanism, and such that by forcing air in a downward direction the primary lifting mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft, with the primary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the forward end of the main body of the aircraft through the primary tilt enabling joint,

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and which secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by an additional tilt enabling joint, which said additional tilt enabling joint is a secondary tilt enabling joint, and which said secondary lifting mechanism is connected to the main body of the aircraft by the secondary tilt enabling joint such that during flight of the aircraft the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a plurality of directions and angles relative to the main body of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in forward, rearward and lateral directions relative to the main body during flight of the aircraft, in a controlled manner, and such that a direction of travel of the aircraft during flight can be altered by altering the lateral direction or angle of tilt of the secondary lifting mechanism relative to the main body, and which secondary tilt enabling joint is such that the secondary lifting mechanism can be tilted in a

controlled manner in a lateral direction with respect to the main body of the aircraft during flight of the aircraft that is opposite to a lateral direction that the primary lifting mechanism can be tilted in with respect to the main body of the aircraft by means of the primary tilt enabling joint during flight of the aircraft,

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and which secondary lifting mechanism comprises a rotor, an engine assembly, and a plurality of blades, with the blades of the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism, and which engine assembly of the secondary lifting mechnaism is able to rotate the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism, with the blades of the secondary lifting mechanism connected to the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism such that when the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism is rotated by the engine assembly of the secondary lifting mechanism air can be forced in a downward direction by means of the blades of the secondary lifting mechanism rotating around the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism, with the secondary lifting mechanism able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft by forcing air in a downward direction by way of the blades of the secondary lifting mechanism rotating around the rotor of the secondary lifting mechanism, and which secondary lifting

mechanism is able to exert an upward force on the aft end of the main body of the aircraft through the secondary tilt enabling joint, with the primary tilt enabling joint and the secondary tilt enabling joint connected to the main body of the aircraft, and with the aircraft able to achieve flight by means of an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the primary lifting mechanism forcing air in a downward direction and an upward force exerted on the main body of the aircraft by the secondary lifting mechanism forcing air in a downward direction while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order, and with controlled lateral tilting of the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism able to occur during flight while the primary lifting mechanism and the secondary lifting mechanism are maintained in tandem order.

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- 13. (original) The aircraft of claim 2 wherein the engine assembly of the primary lifting mechanism comprises a single engine and the engine assembly of the secondary lifting mechanism comprises a single engine.
- 14. (original) The aircraft of claim 2 wherein the engine assembly of the primary lifting mechanism comprises a plurality of engines and the engine assembly of the secondary lifting mechanism comprises a single engine.

- 15. (original) The aircraft of claim 2 wherein the engine assembly of the primary lifting mechanism comprises a single engine and the engine assembly of the secondary lifting mechanism comprises a plurality of engines.
- 5 16. (original) The aircraft of claim 2 wherein the engine assembly of the primary lifting mechanism comprises a plurality of engines and the engine assembly of the secondary lifting mechanism comprises a plurality of engines.
- 17. (original) The aircraft of claim 4 wherein the engine assembly10 of the primary lifting mechanism comprises a single engine.
 - 18. (original) The aircraft of claim 4 wherein the engine assembly of the primary lifting mechanism comprises a plurality of engines.
 - 19. (original) The aircraft of claim 11 wherein the engine assembly of the primary lifting mechanism comprises a single engine.
- 15 20. (original) The aircraft of claim 11 wherein the engine assembly of the primary lifting mechanism comprises a plurality of engines.
 - 21. (original) The aircraft of claim 12 wherein the engine assembly of the secondary lifting mechanism comprises a single engine.
- 22. (original) The aircraft of claim 12 wherein the engine assembly of20 the secondary lifting mechanism comprises a plurality of engines.
 - 23-48. (Canceled).